

Amendments to the Claims

1. (currently amended): A method of reducing fraudulent access to communication system resources by a mobile station, the method comprising the steps of:

transmitting a first message to invoke performance of a first authentication procedure;

receiving a second message containing a first parameter indicating a status of the first authentication procedure and containing at least a second parameter associated with a second authentication procedure; and

~~in response to receiving the second message, determining whether to initiate call setup for the mobile station prior to the second authentication procedure completing successfully; determining whether the first parameter indicates that the first authentication procedure completed successfully; and~~

when the first parameter indicates that the first authentication completed successfully, initiating call setup before the second authentication procedure has completed.

2. (currently amended): The method of claim 1 wherein when the first parameter indicates that the first authentication completed successfully, the method further ~~the step of determining~~ comprises the steps of:

~~determining whether the first parameter indicates that the first authentication procedure completed successfully;~~

~~when the first parameter indicates that the first authentication completed successfully;~~

~~initiating call set setup before the second authentication procedure has completed;~~

when the second authentication procedure completes successfully, continuing with call setup; and

when the second authentication procedure does not complete successfully, discontinuing call setup.

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5. (original): The method of claim 1 wherein the second authentication procedure is a Unique Challenge procedure.

6. (original): The method of claim 1 wherein the second authentication procedure is an SSD Update procedure.

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